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2 Kings 6:15-17 (NIV)

Look And See

Open your eyes. Take a good look. What am I supposed to see that I am not seeing? **That is a very good question.** I'm sure that I am missing something. I'm positive that I don't see what you see. I would like to see what you see. I would like to know what you know. I would like to do what you have given me to do. I would like to have eyes of faith that see beyond what my own human eyes alone can see. How can I see with eyes of faith? **That is an even better question.**

I have questions to ask you. I'm listening. **"Listening", now that is the very first step in seeing with eyes of faith. If you want to see with eyes of faith you will need to listen attentively to me. If you want to see what I have for you to see, then you must pay attention to me. You will not see with eyes of faith while you are on the run, busy, distracted or on the go. You will need to slow down and come to complete stop to see with eyes of faith. You must ask me to show you what I have for you to see. Will you stop to listen to what I want to say to you? You will stop to look at all that I want to show you? Yes, Lord, I will.**

I understand what you are saying to me. **"Understanding," now that is the next step in seeing with eyes of faith. You must consider carefully all that I am saying to you. You must reflect on what I have shown you. You must ask for my wisdom. You must seek my counsel. You must rely on my insight. The unfolding of what I want you to see will not happen in an instant. You must be patient You must be consistent. You must be persistent. Keep on coming to me. Keep on asking from me. Keep on relying on me. Believe that I will give you wisdom. Believe that I will give you insight. I will help you to know what you do not know. I will help you too see what you cannot see. Will you carefully consider all that I am showing to you? Yes, Lord, I will. Then you will see with eyes of faith. You will be able to know and do my will. You will know that I am with you to help you through every battle you will face in life.**

Lord, with my eyes I can't see the whole picture. I can't see what you want me to see. Sometimes, I have thought I was alone and on my own in a battle in life. Open my eyes to see your work in, around, for and through me. I know you are right here with me. Amen

Prayer*Open His Eyes*

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NIV

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When the servant of the man of God got up early the next morning and went outside, there were troops, horses, and chariots everywhere. "Oh, sir, what will we do now?" the young man cried to Elisha. "Don't be afraid!" Elisha told him. "For there are more on our side than on theirs!" Then Elisha prayed, "O LORD, open his eyes and let him see!" The LORD opened the young man's eyes, and when he looked up, he saw that the hillside around Elisha was filled with horses and chariots of fire.

NLT

2 Kings 6:15-17

Prayer*Open His Eyes*

When an attendant of the man of God rose early in the morning and went out, an army with horses and chariots was all around the city. His servant said, "Alas, master! What shall we do?" He replied, "Do not be afraid, for there are more with us than there are with them." Then Elisha prayed: "O LORD, please open his eyes that he may see." So the LORD opened the eyes of the servant, and he saw; the mountain was full of horses and chariots of fire all around Elisha.

NRSV

2 Kings 6:15-17

Prayer*Open His Eyes*

When the servant of the man of God rose early and went out, behold, an army with horses and chariots was around the city. Elisha's servant said to him, "Alas, my master! What shall we do? [Elisha] answered, Fear not; for those with us are more than those with them. Then Elisha prayed, Lord, I pray You, open his eyes that he may see. And the Lord opened the young man's eyes, and he saw, and behold, the mountain was full of horses and chariots of fire round about Elisha.

AMP

2 Kings 6:15-17

Prayer*Open His Eyes*

Now when the attendant of the man of God had risen early and gone out, behold, an army with horses and chariots was circling the city. And his servant said to him, "Alas, my master! What shall we do?" So he answered, "Do not fear, for those who are with us are more than those who are with them." Then Elisha prayed and said, "O LORD, I pray, open his eyes that he may see." And the LORD opened the servant's eyes and he saw; and behold, the mountain was full of horses and chariots of fire all around Elisha.

NASB

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When the servant of the man of God rose early in the morning and went out, behold, an army with horses and chariots was all around the city. And the servant said, "Alas, my master! What shall we do?" He said, "Do not be afraid, for those who are with us are more than those who are with them." Then Elisha prayed and said, "O LORD, please open his eyes that he may see." So the LORD opened the eyes of the young man, and he saw, and behold, the mountain was full of horses and chariots of fire all around Elisha.

ESV

2 Kings 6:15-17

Prayer*Open His Eyes*

And when the servant of the man of God arose early and went out, there was an army, surrounding the city with horses and chariots. And his servant said to him, "Alas, my master! What shall we do?" So he answered, "Do not fear, for those who are with us are more than those who are with them." And Elisha prayed, and said, "LORD, I pray, open his eyes that he may see." Then the LORD opened the eyes of the young man, and he saw. And behold, the mountain was full of horses and chariots of fire all around Elisha.

NKJV

2 Kings 6:15-17

Prayer*Open His Eyes*

Early in the morning a servant of the Holy Man got up and went out. Surprise! Horses and chariots surrounding the city! The young man exclaimed, "Oh, master! What shall we do?" He said, "Don't worry about it—there are more on our side than on their side." Then Elisha prayed, "O GOD, open his eyes and let him see." The eyes of the young man were opened and he saw. A wonder! The whole mountainside full of horses and chariots of fire surrounding Elisha!

MSG

2 Kings 6:15-17

Prayer*Open His Eyes*

When the prophet's servant got up early the next morning and went outside, there were troops, horses, and chariots everywhere. "Alas, my master, what shall we do now?" he cried out to Elisha. "Don't be afraid!" Elisha told him. "For our army is bigger than theirs!" Then Elisha prayed, "Lord, open his eyes and let him see!" And the Lord opened the young man's eyes so that he could see horses of fire and chariots of fire everywhere upon the mountain!

TLB

2 Kings 6:15-17

Prayer*Open My Servant's Eyes*

Elisha's servant got up early, and when he went out, he saw an army with horses and chariots all around the city. The servant said to Elisha, "Oh, my master, what can we do?" Elisha said, "Don't be afraid. The army that fights for us is larger than the one against us." Then Elisha prayed, "LORD, open my servant's eyes, and let him see." The LORD opened the eyes of the young man, and he saw that the mountain was full of horses and chariots of fire all around Elisha.

NCV

2 Kings 6:15-17

Open His Eyes

Day ____ Date _____

Prayer – 2 Kings 16:15-17

In Context: *Read 2 Kings 16*

Begin With Prayer:

Here I am Lord. I Am Listening.

Meditating On God’s Word: ***(What is God speaking to your heart?)***

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Considering The Words: ***(What words speak to your heart?)***

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Praying The Scripture: ***(What prayer from your heart will you write?)***

Lord, with my eyes I can't see the whole picture. I can't see what you want me to see. Sometimes, I have thought I was alone and on my own in a battle in life. Open my eyes to see your work in, around, for and through me. I know you are right here with me. Amen

What It Means: ***(What questions speak to your heart?)*** *(Suggested questions for small group discussion are in bold)*

When have you gone to the Lord in prayer as you were facing a difficult battle in life?

How has the Lord given you strength to fight through battles as you have prayed to Him?

Why is what you see with your human eyes never the complete reality of your situation?

When has, the Lord opened your eyes, through prayer, to a reality you weren't otherwise able to see?

How much bigger and stronger is the Lord than any battle or difficulty you might face?

When has praying to the Lord calmed your fears and replaced them with confident trust in Him?

When has, the Lord given you victory, through prayer, despite what appeared to be overwhelming odds?

Living It Out: ***(What action step is God guiding your heart to take?)***

Bring your situation and the overwhelming odds that seem to be against you to the Lord in prayer.

Seeing It Happen: ***(What are you trusting God for in your heart?)***

Have faith that the Lord will open your eyes to see His activity in and around you as He fights for and through you.

Get Ready To Share: ***(What can you share with others from your heart?)***

Share with another person or your small group how the Lord has given you victory as you have come to Him in prayer.

Close With Prayer:

Quiet Yourself Before The Lord

Pause And Offer Prayers Of...

With An Attitude Of Faith Listen To What The Lord Wants To Say To You

Adoration... _____

Thanksgiving... _____

Confession... _____

Intercession... _____

Petition... _____

Journal

As You Quiet Yourself Before The Lord

What Do You Want To Say To Me Lord?

What Prayers Are You Praying Today?

Prayer Of Blessing

(What Prayer Of Blessing Can You Pray For Another?)

May you have eyes of faith to allow you to see what the Lord wants you to see.

Prayer To Carry

(What Prayer Would You Like To Carry Throughout Your Day?)

Lord, give me eyes of faith to see what you want me to see.

What Do You Want To Remember About Today?

A Question To Ask God

(What Would You Like To Ask God?)

Lord, what do you want me to see with eyes of faith?
